

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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3 A system and corresponding method for electronic presentment of bills and
4 invoices related to goods and/or services provided by a first entity to a second entity
5 includes a first mechanism for authenticating at least one first-entity-class user, and a
6 second mechanism for authenticating at least one second-entity-class user. An
7 application server includes a first application component that interacts in real-time over a
8 network with an authenticated first-entity-class user to enter, create, maintain, and store
9 billing information and related invoices pertaining to at least one second entity. A second
10 application component interacts in real-time over the network with an authenticated
11 second-entity-class user to access portions of the billing information and related invoices
12 pertaining to the authenticated second-entity-class user. The first application component
13 and the second application component operate in conjunction with data security logic to
14 selectively control first-entity class user access and second-entity-class user access to the
15 billing information and related invoices maintained by the system.